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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT FORD

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE ASAP TO KING KHALID
FROM PRESIDENT FORD. SIGNED ORIGINAL BEING POUCHED.
2. BEGIN TEXT: YOUR MAJESTY:

ON TAKING LEAVE OF THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA, I WANT TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO
EXPRESS MY SPECIAL APPRECIATION FOR YOUR MAJESTY'S
WISE COUNSEL AND COOPERATION ON MATTERS OF CRITICAL
IMPORTANCE TO BOTH OUR NATIONS. THE TIES BETWEEN THE
KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA AND THE UNITED STATES ARE FIRMLY
ROOTED IN COMMON INTERESTS AND SHARED OBJECTIVES WHICH
EXTEND BACK WELL OVER THIRTY YEARS. OUR MUTUAL PURSUIT
OF THE SECURITY AND WELL BEING OF OUR PEOPLES AND OF THE
MIDDLE EAST HAVE LONG BEEN CHARACTERIZED BY EXCEPTIONAL
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WARMTH, FRIENDSHIP AND UNDERSTANDING. UNDER YOUR
MAJESTY'S LEADERSHIP, THESE BONDS HAVE BEEN STRENGTHENED
AS WE PURSUED TOGETHER OUR COMMON SEARCH FOR A LASTING
PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND AN ECONOMIC ORDER BENEFITTING
ALL PEOPLES.

I AM GRATEFUL FOR YOUR MAJESTY'S LEADERSHIP AND STATESMAN-

SHIP BOTH IN REGIONAL AND IN WORLD AFFAIRS. I AM GRATIFIED TO SEE THAT RECENT EVENTS HAVE AT LAST LED TO THE RECOGNITION WHICH THE KINGDOM'S WISE LEADERSHIP HAS SO LONG MERITED. I AM CONFIDENT THAT THE EXTRAORDINARY COOPERATION AND CLOSE TIES THAT EXIST BETWEEN OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS WILL BECOME EVEN STRONGER IN THE YEARS AHEAD. AS A PRIVATE CITIZEN, I WILL REMAIN FULLY COMMITTED TO A CONTINUED ACTIVE ROLE BY THE UNITED STATES IN WORKING WITH SAUDI ARABIA AND THE OTHER NATIONS OF THE MIDDLE EAST TOWARDS A COMMON DESTINY OF LASTING PEACE.

YOUR MAJESTY, MAY GOD GRANT YOU THE FULLEST BLESSINGS OF HEALTH AND HAPPINESS FOR THE FUTURE, AND MAY OUR TWO NATIONS ALWAYS BE JOINED TOGETHER IN THE CAUSE OF RIGHT AND PEACE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD END TEXT
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